



# THE ANCHOR

"Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the LORD, because you know that your labor in the LORD is not in vain." I Corinthians 15:58 (NIV)

## Northshore Baptist Association

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### From the Heart of Your DOMM



Lonnie Wascom

Dear Friends,

It all started with a phone call. One of our Pastors called to tell me of the way he and the deacons of their church were going to encourage their members toward faithfulness as regards their congregation's 2015 budget. "We are going to visit each family and tell them 'thank you' for their support." He outlined a few more details of their "Thank You" tour.

We celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday this Thursday, November 27. Every year I write someone who has made an investment in my life and thank them. And then I remembered the call made to me by the Pastor referenced above. I am thankful to God for the faithful support of our member churches.

God willing, I will conduct a "Thank You" tour in 2015 to every member church of the NSBA expressing my gratitude for your participation in our cooperative Gospel enterprise.

I recently read a new book centered on the theme of praying simple prayers. The main point of the book can be summarized in this way: Simple prayer comes down to two words—thank you.

Thank you for helping me to keep my "eyes fixed on Jesus" (Hebrews 12:2) as we cooperatively push back the darkness of lostness from the Northshore of Southeast Louisiana to the ends of the earth. Remember our watchword: **Prayer First!** And don't forget: "We are better together."

Dr. Lonnie Wascom  
Director of Missions and Ministries

**ONE SACRED EFFORT**

**FIND YOUR PLACE IN GOD'S STORY**

**Week of Prayer for International Missions**  
November 30-December 7, 2014  
**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**  
National Goal: \$175 Million

**Ministers/Spouses Christmas Party**  
**Tuesday, December 2**  
6:00 p.m.  
Camp Living Waters  
21230 Living Waters Road, Loranger  
**RSVP by November 25**  
[www.northshorebaptists.net](http://www.northshorebaptists.net)  
[office@northshorebaptists.net](mailto:office@northshorebaptists.net) - 225.567.5086  
Childcare reimbursement available within limits (please note when making reservation).



**I Timothy 2:1-4** is the prayer watchword for everything we do in the Northshore Baptist Association.

# Northshore Church News

● **Woodland Park (Hammond)** will host the Todd Allen Family Ministries Christmas Show Friday and Saturday, December 12 and 13, at 7 p.m. Admission is free. A love offering will be taken. Seating is limited. RSVP for Childcare 0-3 yrs. The church is located at 1909 J.W. Davis Drive, Hammond. For more information call 985.345.4013. Scott Thompson is pastor.

● **Calvary (Slidell)** will present their Christmas Cantata *The First Noel* December 14, at 11 a.m. and a Christmas fellowship will be held at 5 p.m. A Christmas Eve service will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 24. Dr. Perry Hancock will speak in the January 18 service at 11 a.m. John Reid is pastor.

● **First (Covington)** invites all adults 55+ to their Winter Celebration to join with their *Young at Heart* group for their **29th Anniversary Celebration** on Tuesday, January 20, from 9 a.m. till noon. Entertainment and inspiration will be provided by “golden oldies” and gospel singer Kenny Evans from Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, and comedy duo Cross Country. The program concludes with lunch at noon. Register online at [www.FbcCov.org](http://www.FbcCov.org) or by calling the church office at 985.892.2149. Please register by individual names unless you are registering and paying with one check for a group. Cost is \$10 which is payable at the door. The deadline to register or cancel is Wednesday, January 14. First Baptist Church is located at 16333 Highway 1085, Covington. Waylon Bailey is pastor.

● **Manchac (Akers)** will have a Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, December 24. David Whitehead is pastor.

● **Trinity (Hammond)** Children’s Christmas Program will be presented on December 7 at 5 p.m. The Adult Choir Cantata will be on December 14 at 10:45 a.m. Christmas Carol Singing will be December 21 at 5 p.m. and a Christmas Eve Service will be held at 6:30 p.m. on December 24. Randy Davis is pastor.

● **First (Ponchatoula)** Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra will present their annual **Christmas Spectacular 2014 – “Yahweh, Jesus is Coming!”** – on Friday and Sunday, December 12 and 14, at 7 p.m. They invite everyone on the Northshore to enjoy the story of the birth of Christ. There will be wise men, shepherds, angels and banners. Chip Vickers is music pastor. David Cranford is pastor.

● **Grace Memorial (Slidell)** has several events planned for December. Each Sunday beginning November 30 during the 10:15 a.m. service, they celebrate Christ’s birth and the promise of His return as various families read scripture, pray, and light the appropriate candles in the Advent wreath. On December 7 at 10:15 a.m. the Children’s Choir will present *David’s Dynasty*. The Adult Choir and Orchestra will present *Three Gifts* on December 14 at 10:15 a.m. A Christmas Dinner and Family Service will be held on Wednesday, December 17, at 5:30 p.m. Reservations are requested and donations are accepted for the meal. A Christmas Eve service with carols, candles and observance of the Lord’s Supper will be held on Wednesday, December 24, at 6 p.m. Bob Heustess is pastor.

● **New Zion (Covington)** presents *Cradle to the Cross* Christmas Drive-Thru December 5-7, 6:30-8:00 p.m. This is a live portrayal of the life of Christ from his birth to his death and resurrection with people, live animals, authentic costumes and vivid scenery. The Adult Christmas Cantata will be presented December 21 at 10:30 a.m. The church is located at 17387 New Zion Church Road, Covington. Clark Stewart is pastor.

● **Bethlehem (Albany)** will present their Adult Choir Christmas program December 14 at 10 a.m. and their Children’s Choir program December 14, at 5 p.m. Their Family Caroling Service will be at 5 p.m. on December 21. A Ladies Christmas Breakfast is planned for Saturday, December 6, at 9 a.m. The theme is Candy Cane Christmas. Doors open at 8:30. Joe Dunn is pastor.

● **First (Slidell)** will begin the Advent season with a Christmas Piano Concert by six of the area’s outstanding pianists on Sunday, November 30, at 6 p.m. The concert is called *PiaNoel* and admission is free. *Hanging of the Greens* service will be December 7 at 10 a.m. The Orchestra, Handbell Choir, Student Choir, and Adult Choir will present *Carols by Candlelight* on Saturday, December 13, at 7 p.m. and December 14 at 10 a.m. The Children’s Choirs will present the musical *David’s Dynasty* on Wednesday, December 17, at 6 p.m. Upward Basketball and Cheerleading registration continues through December 19. Evaluations for the teams will be the second weekend in January. Practices start on January 26. A Christmas Eve Service will be held on Wednesday, December 24, at 6 p.m. AWANA (2 year olds through 6th grade) will kick off their new year on Wednesday, January 7, at 5:45 p.m. Bible Drill will also be offered for children and youth on Sunday afternoons at 5 p.m. starting in January. The **Sonshine Club Meetings** for Senior Adults will be Friday, December 12, and Friday, January 23, at 12 noon at the church. Pastor is Ricky Cummings.

● **Northshore (Slidell)** will have **Jingle Jam** on Friday, December 5, at 6 p.m. with food, fun, fellowship, a candlelight service, and pictures with Santa for the kids. Also, Christmas gifts can be purchased from a **Christmas Giving Catalog** that will change lives. Purchases can be made from the catalog in honor of a friend or family member and support ministries to nursing home residents, cancer patients, orphans in Haiti, and more. Visit [www.northshorechurch.net](http://www.northshorechurch.net) to download the catalog and get more information or contact Andrew Ogea at 985.259.1236. Larry McEwen is pastor.



Your Northshore Staff Wishes You a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year

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Greg Griffin

The NSBA Office will be closed December 24-January 1 for the holidays.



## Mark Your Calendar

### Northshore Baptist Association

#### DECEMBER 2014

- Nov. 30-Dec. 7 Week of Prayer for International Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
- 2 NSBA Ministers/Spouses Christmas Party @ Camp Living Waters, 6 p.m. (See page 1 for details.)
- 25 Christmas Day (NSBA office closed December 24-January 1)

#### JANUARY 2015

##### Call to Prayer Month

- 1 New Year's Day (NSBA office closed)
- 7 Rick Howerton @ Natalbany Baptist Church, 9:30-11:30 a.m. (See this page for details.)
- 10 International Mission Study @ Woodland Park Hammond (See this page for details.)
- 12 Ministers' Conference @ TBA, 10:30 a.m.
- 18 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
- 19 Martin Luther King Day (NSBA office closed)
- 20 NSBA Executive Board Meeting @ Grace Memorial, 10 a.m. (See this page for details.)
- 26-27 LBC Evangelism Conference @ Summer Grove, Shreveport
- 30-31 Disaster Relief Roundtable @ Woodland Park, Hammond

## NSBA Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 20, at 10 a.m.

Grace Memorial Baptist Church  
58516 Pearl Acres Road, Slidell

All member churches are entitled to send their pastor (or the church's designee) and one other designated person to represent them in the conducting of associational business.

**Rick Howerton**, small group specialist with LifeWay will be at Natalbany Baptist Church, Wednesday, January 7, 9:30-11:30 a.m. This event is for pastors, staff, and key program leaders of churches needing to start new groups (Sunday School classes, house church groups, cell groups, etc.)



## Disaster Relief Roundtable

January 30-31

Woodland Park Baptist Church  
1909 J.W. Davis Drive, Hammond

For more information go to

[www.LouisianaBaptists.org/disaster-relief-roundtables](http://www.LouisianaBaptists.org/disaster-relief-roundtables)



## International Mission Study

Ivory Coast from WAR to peace

Saturday, January 10, 2015

Woodland Park Baptist Church  
1909 J.W. Davis Drive, Hammond

Registration at 9:30 a.m.

**Speaker: Margaret Fairburn, Retired Missionary from Ivory Coast**

The coastal city of Abidjan was once known as the "Paris of West Africa," with its skyscrapers, boulevards and economic stability. Civil war splintered this peace in 2001 and plunged the city and all of Ivory Coast into a decade of violence and turmoil. Learn how missionaries in Ivory Coast confront the challenges of overwhelming need in an urban setting while sharing the story of Jesus. A study is also provided for children grades 1-6.

**RSVP for lunch by January 5, 2015**

[office@northshorebaptists.net](mailto:office@northshorebaptists.net) or 225.567.5086

(Sponsored by Northshore Associational WMU.)

## Northshore/Two Rivers Associations

### Dnow 2015

5 p.m. Friday, April 17, to 10 p.m. Saturday, April 18

Camp Living Waters  
21230 Living Waters Road, Loranger

Theme: Driven - Sermon on the Mount Matthew 5-7

Speaker: Matt Middlecamp (SLU BCM Director)

Band: SLU BCM Worship Team

Cost: \$45 + T-Shirt per student and \$150 per church  
(T-shirts \$6/shirt for XL or smaller - \$8/shirt for XXL and larger)

#### Upcoming Dates:

**February 10:** Planning meeting/Small group leader training session  
7 p.m. at FBC Springfield

**February 16:** Deadline for \$150 participation fee

**March 16:** Deadline for t-shirt sizes and money for shirts

For More Information contact Richard Sandberg  
985.514.1171 or [Helives711@aol.com](mailto:Helives711@aol.com)

## Evangelism Conference



January 26-27

Summer Grove Baptist Church  
Shreveport, Louisiana

For more information go to

[www.LouisianaBaptists.org/evangelismconference](http://www.LouisianaBaptists.org/evangelismconference)

# Northshore Baptist Association Church Contributions

	<i>Sept-Oct</i>	<i>YTD</i>		<i>Sept-Oct</i>	<i>YTD</i>		<i>Sept-Oct</i>	<i>YTD</i>
Albany First	567.32	4,730.43	Hope	276.00	1,727.00	Thompson Road	688.00	2,197.02
Antioch	39.15	128.16	Iglesia Cristo Redentor	231.44	1,040.70	Trinity	914.00	3,999.00
Bayou	100.00	500.00	Immanuel	277.06	1,031.07	True Life	200.00	1,000.00
Bedico	739.00	3,783.00	Jerusalem (Hammond)	1,430.48	7,002.28	Victory	-0-	-0-
Bethlehem	2,406.00	11,739.00	Jerusalem (Bush)	-0-	-0-	Wadesboro	50.00	225.00
Blood River	507.68	2,490.97	Jesus-Center of Prosperity	-0-	-0-	Wardline	-0-	-0-
Bogue Falaya	833.34	4,166.70	Killian First	-0-	3,000.00	Westside	844.61	4,154.42
Calvary	799.25	4,319.34	Lee Hill	117.06	916.57	Woodhaven	-0-	1,000.00
Calvary Spanish	51.51	214.43	Lee Valley	239.82	1,350.63	Woodland	741.00	3,118.00
Celebration	414.96	1,157.19	Life	300.00	1,500.00	Woodland Park	3,330.78	16,795.61
Collins Blvd.	-0-	450.00	Light to the Nations	-0-	-0-	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>55,893.15</b>	<b>268,559.33</b>
Countryside	100.00	500.00	Lighthouse	390.00	847.00	Expenditures	54,551.76	272,933.84
Covenant	159.94	872.22	Loranger	891.29	4,453.22	Church Receipts	55,893.15	268,559.33
Creeside	200.00	400.00	Louisiana	-0-	-0-	NOAH Savings	-0-	5,500.00
Cristo para Todos	250.00	1,178.30	Manchac	128.00	553.00	Additional Income	-0-	50.00
Crossbrand	95.00	431.41	Mandeville's First	2,991.04	20,010.65	Budget Balance		3,966.32
Crossgate	635.14	2,336.11	Midway	-0-	-0-			
Crossroads	358.00	3,222.00	Millville	61.10	395.67			
Ebenezer	663.18	4,843.30	Mt. Calvary	-0-	495.33			
Emmaus	-0-	-0-	Natalbany	2,106.25	9,315.63			
Evans Creek	533.39	1,490.81	New Beginning	-0-	200.00			
First, Covington	5,083.34	25,416.70	New Beulah	1,280.85	5,222.47			
First, Folsom	900.28	4,621.38	New Haven	125.83	1,135.15			
First, Hammond	568.10	2,554.29	New Hope, Franklinton	-0-	-0-			
First, Independence	161.10	1,616.24	New Hope, Independence	200.00	900.00			
First, Lacombe	399.34	1,448.15	New Zion	4,019.66	14,736.84			
First, Madisonville	-0-	-0-	Northshore	1,600.00	8,000.00			
First, Pearl River	920.72	4,922.95	Northside	326.95	1,3694.20			
First, Slidell	1,400.00	7,050.00	Old Zion Hill	987.49	4,339.53			
First, Slidell Spanish	140.26	710.56	Pilgrim Rest	240.00	1,200.00			
First, Springfield	628.41	2,730.79	Ponchatoula's First	3,035.30	15,224.86			
First, Tickfaw	758.63	2,854.44	Red Bluff	580.41	1,648.20			
French Corner	493.58	1,890.13	Redeeming Grace	157.35	534.03			
Full Faith	-0-	-0-	Redemption Christian	-0-	-0-			
Grace	194.55	950.55	Ridge Memorial	25.00	175.00			
Grace Community	-0-	-0-	Springville	163.09	828.78			
Grace Hispanic	37.50	244.00	Still Water, Hammond	350.00	600.00			
Grace Memorial	4,389.88	11,542.52	Still Water, Ponchatoula	-0-	1,216.00			
Greater St. James	-0-	300.00	Still Water, Slidell	-0-	60.00			
Hebron	600.00	2,700.00	Tammany Hills	-0-	1,527.84			
Hillside	44.74	377.10	The Bridge	420.00	1,890.00			

## It's Not Too Late for ACPs to be Completed



If you missed the deadline for your ACP information to be included in the Book of

Reports for the Annual Meeting you still have until December 31 to get your information in so it will be included in the 2014 Annual. You can log-on at [www.laone.org](http://www.laone.org) and complete your ACP on-line. Your user name and password are on the ACP paper copy you received or you can call the Northshore office at 225.567.5086 for help.

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